

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No.

9-5-06: Commissioner Diaz Proposal

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO
CREATE AND IMPLEMENT A HALLOWEEN INITIATIVE IN
CONJUNCTION WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF
CORRECTIONS TO LIMIT CONTACT BETWEEN CHILDREN
AND SEXUAL OFFENDERS AND PREDATORS ON
HALLOWEEN

WHEREAS, Halloween activities present increased opportunities for pedophiles to gain
and violate children's trust; and

WHEREAS, certain activities including, but not limited to, decorations and the
distribution of candy lure children to the homes of pedophiles; and

WHEREAS, limiting sexual offender and predator contact with children will increase
their safety and wellbeing; and

WHEREAS, increased collaboration between the Miami-Dade Police Department
("MDPD") and the Florida Department of Corrections ("DOC") to develop and implement
preventative type operations to reduce sexual offender and predator access to children during
Halloween benefits our County; and

WHEREAS, the Commission urges municipalities to collaborate with MDPD and the
Florida DOC to implement proactive initiatives, including a Halloween Initiative, to limit
children's contact with sexual offenders and predators.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:**

Section 1. Creation of Initiative. The County Manager is directed to create and implement a “Trick No Treat” Halloween Initiative in conjunction with the Florida DOC regarding sexual offenders and predators residing in unincorporated Miami-Dade County and under the supervision of the Florida DOC. The Halloween Initiative shall be developed prior to October 31, 2006 and said Initiative shall be implemented by October 31, 2006. The Initiative shall consider the following:

- (a) Issuance of official orders by the Florida DOC to sexual offenders and predators that they are prohibited from engaging in any type of Halloween activity including, but not limited to, decorating their residences, distributing candy, opening their doors to trick or treaters, allowing an outside light near a door to be on during designated trick or treat hours, trick or treating with or without a child, or attending a party where a child is present;
- (b) Ordering sexual offenders and predators to remain at home during designated trick or treat hours;
- (c) Collaboration between MDPD and the Florida DOC to insure that sexual offenders and predators are notified of Florida DOC orders;
- (d) Coordination of MDPD and Florida DOC Officers to establish law enforcement teams: (i) to inspect the residences of sexual offenders and predators, (ii) to confirm compliance with DOC orders and registration requirements and (iii) to make arrests when appropriate;

(e) Notification to the general public through the local news media including, Miami-Dade TV, of the Halloween Initiative, Halloween safety tips, and the FDLE Sex Offender Website;

(f) Development of a joint task force between MDPD and the Florida DOC to develop future collaborative law enforcement initiatives including, but not limited to, an annual Halloween Initiative, to increase sexual offender and predator compliance with the law and DOC orders.

Section 2. Reports.

(a) The County Manager shall prepare and submit a report to the Community Outreach, Safety and Healthcare Administration (COSHA) Committee and the County Commission prior to October 31, 2006 regarding the Halloween Initiative.

(b) Within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this resolution, the County Manager shall also prepare and submit a report to the COSHA Committee and the Commission regarding the establishment of a joint task force between MDPD and Florida DOC and the results of the Halloween Initiative.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz and offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Joe A. Martinez, Chairman	
Dennis C. Moss, Vice-Chairman	
Bruno A. Barreiro	Audrey M. Edmonson
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Carlos A. Gimenez
Sally A. Heyman	Barbara J. Jordan
Dorrian D. Rolle	Natacha Seijas
Katy Sorenson	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

The Chairman thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this _____ day of _____, 2006. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency. _____
Abigail Price-Williams